



**PATENT**  
**Serial No: 10/728,847**  
**Docket No: 1743-228**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants : Satoru Shimizu, *et al.*  
Sserial No. : 10/728,847  
Filed : December 8, 2003  
For : METHOD FOR PROVIDING POWER PLANT  
MAINTENANCE SERVICES  
Art Unit : 2857 Confirmation No. 9229  
Examiner : Mohamed Charioui

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

**Mail Stop - Amendment**

Commissioner For Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of March 10, 2006, the period for response having been extended herein to August 10, 2006 by payment of the requisite fee of \$450.00 for a two month Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), kindly amend the above-identified application as follows: